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Beans and Pulses Monthly Trade Report - May 2003

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Report Highlights:

During May Burma exported 51,591 metric tons (mt) of beans and pulses. Weak export demand kept prices depressed.

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Trade

During May 2003, Burma exported 51,591 metric tons of beans and pulses with no reported exports of beans and pulses via border trade. In May trading, Black Matpe comprised 53 percent, Mung beans 26 percent, and Toor Whole (Pigeon Pea) 20 percent of the total exports of beans and pulses. The major destination was India consuming 73 percent of total exports. A decrease of 59 percent in May exports compared to the same month last year is likely to be the result of cheaper substitute goods imported from neighboring countries.

Bangladesh - a total of 849 mt of beans and pulses:
849 mt of Black Matpe

Belgium - a total of 109 mt of beans and pulses:
44 mt of Kidney beans
65 mt of small white beans

Canada - a total of 22 mt of beans and pulses:
22 mt of Brown beans
115 mt of Kidney beans

Egypt - a total of 496 mt of beans and pulses:
496 mt of Black eye beans

Germany - a total of 22 mt of beans and pulses:
22 mt of Kidney beans

India - a total of 37,861 mt of beans and pulses:
19,388 mt of Black Matpe
1,263 mt of Chickpeas
2,122 mt of Kidney beans
12,921 mt of Mung beans
1,070 mt of Toor Whole (pigeon pea)
1,229 mt of Black eye beans
110 mt of Bamboo beans
963 mt of Brown beans
917 mt of various beans

Israel - a total of 60 mt of beans and pulses:
60 mt of Kidney beans

Italy - a total of 242 mt of beans and pulses:
66 mt of Black eye beans
10 mt of small white beans
66 mt of various beans

Indonesia - a total of 44 mt of beans and pulses:
44 mt of Mung beans

Japan - a total of 1,739 mt of beans and pulses:
328 mt of Black Matpe
42 mt of Bamboo beans
1,172 mt of Butter beans (Lima beans)
83 mt of Sultani/pya (Red Lima beans)
114 mt of Toor Whole (pigeon pea)

Korea - a total of 161 mt of beans and pulses:
161 mt of White beans

Malaysia - a total of 224 mt of beans and pulses:
90 mt of Black Matpe
46 mt of Mung beans

Netherlands - a total of 87 mt of beans and pulses:
21 mt of Mung beans
66 small white beans

Pakistan - a total of 7,939 mt of beans and pulses:
46 mt of Bamboo beans
5,795 mt of Black Matpe
110 mt of Black eye beans
1,423 mt of Chickpeas
565 mt of Kidney beans

Singapore - a total of 498 mt of beans and pulses:
11 mt of Black eye beans
22 mt of Kidney beans
215 mt of Black Matpe
10 mt of Brown beans
42 mt of Butter beans (Lima beans)
88 mt of Mung beans
110 mt of small white beans

Sri Lanka - a total of 483 mt of beans and pulses:
483 mt of Black Matpe

UAE - a total of 275 mt of beans and pulses:
208 mt of Black Eye beans
23 mt of Black Matpe
44 mt of Mung beans

United Kingdom - a total of 298 mt of beans and pulses:
210 mt of Mung beans
88 mt of small white beans

Uruguay - a total of 44 mt of beans and pulses:
44 mt of Butter beans (Lima beans)

U.S.A. - a total of 23 mt of beans and pulses:
23 mt of Mung beans

Beans and Pulses Exports (mt)	2002	2003
January	56,238	43,885
February	71,161	65,471
March	89,864	70,011
April	110,323	88,772
May	127,052	51,591
June	87,163	
July	102,306	
August	80,651	
September	94,296	
October	81,810	
November	49,477	
December	27,193	
TOTAL	977,534	319,730
Others*		
GRAND TOTAL	977,534	319,730

*Export shipments not covered elsewhere

Prices

Export prices for beans and pulses set by the Price Appraisal Committee on April 2003 are:
(FAQ) Fair Average Quality (SQ) Standard Quality

Matpe (FAQ) USD 195

Matpe (SQ) USD 230

Mung beans (FAQ) USD 300

Butter beans (Lima beans)(FAQ) USD 270

Toor Whole (pigeon pea) (FAQ) USD 250

Domestic market situation

Beans and pulses prices remained depressed due to weak export demand. Excluding export oriented beans and pulses such as Mung beans and Black Matpe, the market for other pulses remained depressed in May. The White Pelun (white bean) market was strong due to steady demand from border trade to China. It is likely that the beans and pulse market is still depressed due to the limited available money supply among traders to carry out business transactions. As compared to April, the market for beans and pulses remained flat although there was no increase in export demand.

End of Report.